# 2026 Colorado Protein Stability Conference August 3 – August 6 Beaver Run Resort Breckenridge, Colorado

## Presented by the University of Colorado Center for Pharmaceutical Biotechnology

#### **Conference Schedule**

#### Monday, August 3

3:00 pm Registration Opens

7:00 pm Opening Reception

Copper Top II/III

## Tuesday, August 4

7:00 am Breakfast

Copper Top II/III

8:00 am Welcoming Comments

Colorado Ballroom

Protein Stability and Dynamics - I Colorado Ballroom

8:05 am Tobin Sosnick

University of Chicago

Should we be surprised that biothermodynamics works so

well?

8:40 am Lauren Porter

NIH

Fold switching and protein stability

9:15 am Rohit Pappu

Washington University at St. Louis

## Biophysical chemistry of biomolecular condensates

9:50 am Coffee Break

Protein Stability and Dynamics - II Colorado Ballroom

10:20 am Nikolay Dokholyan

University of Virginia

Early Molecular Events in Neurodegeneration

10:55 am Kayla Sprenger

University of Colorado

Decoding how protein–protein interactions, stability, and conformational dynamics drive pathogenic mechanisms across neurodegenerative and infectious diseases via MD

simulations

11:30 am Daumantas Matulis

Vilnius University

Stabilization of proteins by small molecule ligands - use

for characterization and affinity determination

12:05 pm Lunch

Copper Top II/III

Vaccines, Solid state protein stability, and AAVs Colorado Ballroom

2:00 pm Neil King

University of Washington

Machine learning-enabled antigen and nanoparticle

vaccine design

2:35 pm Eric Munson

Purdue University

Advanced Characterization Methods for Assessing Stability of Protein Formulations in the Solid State

3:10 pm Susumu Uchiyama

Osaka University

rAAV as a Heterogeneous Particle Ensemble: Current Understanding of Its Quality Attributes and Relation to Efficacy and Safety

3:45 pm Coffee Break

Antibody Optimization and Developability

4:15 pm Pete Tessier

University of Michigan

Multi-property antibody optimization using machine

learning

4:50 pm Hristo Svilenov

Technische Universität München

Looking at unconventional antibodies from a

developability perspective

5:25 pm Tim Menzen

Coriolis

To platform or not to platform: strategic considerations for antibody formulation in early clinical development

6:00 pm Colorado Beer Tasting Reception

Copper Top II/III

# Wednesday, August 5

7:30 am Breakfast

Copper Top II/III

8:30 am Poster Setup

Colorado Ballroom

9:00 am Poster Session

Colorado Ballroom

9:00 am – 11:00 am Even-numbered posters presented

11:00 am - 1:00 pm Odd-numbered posters presented

1:00 pm Lunch

Copper Top II/III

#### Thursday, August 6

7:00 am Breakfast

Copper Top II/III

8:00 am Welcoming Comments

Colorado Ballroom

ADCs and excipients Colorado Ballroom

8:05 am Shouvik Roy

Merck

New challenges in ADC Drug Product Development -

awareness and mitigation

8:40 am Lea Sorret

Lonza

Integrated Strategies for ADC Development: Ensuring Stability, Scalability, and Safe Administration of ADCs

9:15 am Patrick Garidel

Boehringer Ingelheim

A decade of polysorbate degradation research: current

status

9:50 am Coffee Break

Excipients in Protein Formulations Colorado Ballroom

10:20 am Satish Singh

Astria Therapeutics

How Sweet it is: Revisiting Sucrose and Trehalose as

Stabilizers in Protein Formulations

10:55 am Christian Schoeneich

University of Kansas

Near UV and visible light degradation of therapeutic

proteins: the role of common excipients

11:30 am Ashutosh Rao

FDA

Scientific and Regulatory perspectives on excipients used

in protein formulations

Lunch 12:05 pm

Copper Top II/III

Protein stability, aggregation, and immunogenicity Colorado Ballroom

2:00 pm Benjamin Walters

Genentech

Bridging Stability and Biophysical Outcomes in

Therapeutic Proteins

2:35 pm Joseph Cohen

Amgen

A high threshold of aggregate numbers is needed to

induce immunogenic response in vitro, in vivo and in the

clinic

3:10 pm Daniela Verthelyi

**FDA** 

Immunogenicity risk assessments: The impact of aggregates and innate immune response modulating

impurities

Coffee Break 3:45 pm

Safe and Stable Formulations

4:15 pm Parag Kolhe

Pfizer

Formulation and Process Considerations for developing patient centric drug product dosage forms

4:50 pm Erica Schlesinger

Seran Bio

Formulation without Compromise: Dose, Convenience,

Stability

5:25 pm Christina Vessely

**Biologics Consulting** 

Protein Drug Stability Assessments: ICH Q1 and Beyond

6:00 pm Student Poster Awards & Closing Comments

Colorado Ballroom

6:10 pm Closing Reception

Copper Top II/III